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// A special meeting of the Council of the City of Lynchburg, recessed from April 25, was held on the 9th day of May, 2006, at 1:00 P.M., Second Floor Training Room, City Hall, Joan F. Foster, Vice President, presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a work session regarding the Proposed City Landscape Ordinance. The following Members were present:

Present: Dodson, Foster, Gillette, Helgeson, Johnson, Seiffert 6

Absent: 0

// Vice Mayor Foster stated that prior to discussing the Proposed Landscape Ordinance, there were several City Council organizational matters that needed to be considered. The first item was whether or not City Council wanted to appoint someone to fill the current vacancy on City Council due to the resignation of former Mayor Carl B. Hutcherson, Jr. Council Members considered various options, including appointing Council Member Elect Scott Garrett to fill the vacancy, and following discussion which included input from Council Member Elect Garrett, decided to leave the seat vacant.

// Vice Mayor Foster stated that the next item would be to schedule a date/time for City Council's organizational meeting. City Council agreed to schedule the organizational meeting on Monday, July 3, 10:00 a.m., Council Chambers, City Hall. City Council also asked the Clerk of Council to contact Judge Leyburn Mosby to determine if he would be available on June 27, 5:30 p.m., to give the oaths of office to the three recently elected or reelected Council Members.

// City Planner Tom Martin along with former Planning Commission Chair Wayne Dahlgren provided an overview via power point presentation regarding the Proposed City Landscape Ordinance. Mr. Martin outlined the goals of the Ordinance which are to provide landscaping requirements that will ensure development consistent with the goals of the Comprehensive Plan, reduce soil erosion, increase infiltration in permeable land areas to improve stormwater management, mitigate air, dust, noise and chemical pollution, reduce heat island effect, protect property values, provide buffers between incompatible uses, preserve existing natural vegetation as an integral part of the City and ensure that the City remains an attractive place to live, visit and work. Following discussion, City Manager Kimball Payne informed that a public hearing regarding the Proposed Landscape Ordinance is scheduled for the June 13 Council meeting.

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